[ANARTS - Australian National Amateur Radio Teletype Society]

ANARTS NEWS BULLETIN 774 29/8/93

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SIGNALLING, ALIVE AND WELL IN SCOUTS!

AT A TIME WHEN AMATEURS WORLDWIDE ARE CLAMOURING TO HAVE MORSE CODE DROPPED FROM LICENSE REQUIREMENTS, SCOUTS FROM NEW SOUTH WALES HAVE RE-INTRODUCED SIGNALLING AS A REQUIRED SKILL FOR THEIR 1993 SCOUT RALLY.(A STATE WIDE SCOUTING SKILLS COMPETITION.)

THE SIGNALS BASE REQUIRES MESSAGES TO BE SENT AND RECEIVED USING TELEGRAPHY OR SEMAPHORE. THE MORSE WILL BE BY KEY AND BUZZER, MORSE FLAGS, OR LIGHT. THE SEMAPHORE WILL USE THE TRADITIONAL FLAGS. MESSAGES WILL REQUIRED TO BE SENT USING ALL START AND END SIGNALS, ERROR CORRECTION, PUNCTUATION, NUMERALS ETC.

INTERESTING THAT IN THIS HIGH TECH. AGE THAT SUCH BASIC SIGNALLING SKILLS ARE BACK IN VOGUE! WHERE ARE YOU, ALL YOU EX-SERVICE SIGNALLERS? THERE COULD BE AN OPENING HERE FOR YOUR SKILLS!

Col VK2CS

ANARTS welcomes JOTA information -- remember we cover Australia, make use of the broadcast to let people know where your stations will be operating and with what modes. We are pleased to help in any way we can.

NEWS FROM WESTERN AUSTRALIA

ALL RADIO AMATEURS SEND CONGRATULATIONS TO GEORGE MOSS VK6GM WHO REACHES THE AGE OF 90 YEARS ON THE 2ND OF SEPTEMBER 1993.

GEORGE WAS BORN IN THE SPARK COMMUNICATIONS ERA , AND WAS FIRST LICENCED IN AMATEUR RADIO IN 1926 IN THE PAST 67 YEARS IN AMATEUR RADIO. GEORGE HAS SEEN THE GAMUT OF COMMUNICATION TECHNIQUES FROM SPARK THROUGH TO VALVE EQUIPMENT , AND TODAYS FULLY SOLID STATE GEAR.

GEORGE HAS KEPT HIMSELF ABREAST OF MODERN TECHNIQUES, AND OVER THE PAST SEVERAL YEARS OPERATED R.T.T.Y. AND SLOW SCAN T.V. HE HAS RECENTLY UPGRADED HIS COMPUTER TO AN I.B.M. 386 CLONE AND IS PLANNING TO OPERATE COLOUR SLOW SCAN TELEVISION IN THE NEAR FUTURE - NOT A BAD EFFORT FOR A NINETY YEAR OLD RADIO AMATEUR!

LAST TUESDAY AT THE CITY VENUE OF THE RADIO AMATEUR OLD TIMERS MEETING , ALL MEMBERS ATTENDING WERE PLEASED TO CELEBRATE GEORGES FORTH COMING BIRTHDAY, AND ALL WISH HIM MANY HAPPY RETURNS OF THE 2ND OF SEPTEMBER.

SUBMITTED BY RAY VK6PW

ANARTS WOULD LIKE TO ADD ITS CONGRATULATIONS TO THOSE GEORGE HAS ALREADY HAS RECEIVED. IT IS GOOD TO SEE YOUR INTEREST IN OUR HOBBY IS AS STRONG AS EVER. LUCK WITH YOUR COLOUR SLOW SCAN TV. 73S

IPS weekly report
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20 August - 26 August 1993

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Date	20	21	22	23	24	25	26
10cm	92	95	94	93	91	89	88
A	07	05	06	03	05	03	(05 estimated)
T	43	47	51	48	51	56	61

Summary of activity

Solar activity was very low throughout the period.

The geomagnetic field at Learmonth (WA) was quiet all week.

Ionospheric F2 critical frequencies at Sydney were near predicted monthly values, except for a brief depressed period of up to 25 per cent on 20th, and brief enhanced periods of up to 30 per cent on 24th-26th August. Spread F was observed from 1500-1800 UT on 24th, and 1900-2100 UT on 26th.

Forecast for the next week (27 - 2 September)

Solar : Very low.

Geomagnetic: Quiet with possible active periods on 29th. Unsettled to active levels expected 31 August to 2 September, with possibility of an isolated minor storm period occurring during this time.

Ionospheric: Mostly near predicted monthly values. There may be depressions to 20 per cent during geomagnetic storming. Spread F may degrade nighttime communications during the week.

Courtesy of IPS Radio and Space Services

Below is an extract from the RTTY Digital Journal July/August 1993. We thought you would be interested in their comments on the VK2SG RTTY DXNotes, as the anniversary of the first 'cast falls next week. Read on ...

Quote

Weekly RTTY DX bulletins

From time to time you have been referred to the - VK2SG RTTY DX Notes -. These bulletins, which originate on HF AMTOR, are a good source of timely RTTY DX information. They were origin-

ated many years ago by Syd Molen (sic), VK2SG (DX1), and given enhanced distribution by the late John Troost, TG9VT. While DX1 now sits on the sidelines and rests with his well earned laurels, submitting DX tidbits for the Notes from time to time, the tradition is being carried on for him by a rotating trio of editors, consisting of Luciano, I5FLN, Bob, WB2CJL, and your DX Editor, (Jules) W2JGR.

The Notes are the only weekly on-the-air bulletins devoted exclusively to disseminating news of interest to RTTY DXers. They are issued early on Friday morning UTC, and by Friday afternoon have generally been distributed around the world via the APLink network. APLink mailbox stations that regularly carry them are CE3GDN (see frequencies at end of item), I5FLN, VK2AGE, ZS5S, 9X5LJ, W5KSI and others...

By making a habit of reading these weekly bulletins you can keep current on time critical DX happenings, as well as determining operating profiles of many of the rare and semi-rare ones. Of course, there is also the occasional unique tidbit to be found.

Readers of the VK2SG RTTY DX Notes are invited to contribute their DXinformation via APLink. An appreciative credit is always given even if a submission cannot be used. Each edition tells you where to send your DX news for the coming week. If unable to reach the intended recipient directly, allow time for relaying delays. deadline for receipt of your information by the - editor-of-the-week - is approximately 2100Z every Thursday.

CE3GDN scans 7037, 7070, 14066, 14068, 14072, 14074, 14078, 21070, 21072, 21074, 21076, 21078, 24915, 28074, and 28135 KHz.

Unquote

Referring to the Notes being available Friday afternoon UTC, alas this is rarely the case here in Sydney, with the result that ANARTS took the opportunity of the Gosford Field Day broadcast being on Saturday to drop the Notes back one week. It was very difficult, sometimes impossible, to obtain the Notes in time to include them in the weekly broadcast.

We took the view that coming DXpeditions were usually notified well in advance, and also, that the prime purpose of the Notes was to build up profiles of active RTTY DXers, rare or otherwise, as mentioned by Jules.

We had been spoiled for many years by having the DXNotes so readily available, and now we find ourselves on the end of the long relay path/s.

Next week, just past to the 17th anniversary of this broadcast (commenced 3rd September 1976), we will give you the history from the beginning, direct from the teleprinter of DX1 himself.

So be watching this space and see how it all started.

VK2SG RTTY DX NOTES 20 AUG. 1993

VK2SG RTTY DX NOTES WEEK ENDING 20 AUGUST 1993 (BID RTDX0820)

OUR INFORMATION THIS WEEK CAME FROM: 4X6UO, 9X5LJ, CE3GDN, DJ3IW AND THE CENTRAL EUROPE DX-CLUSTER NODE DB0SPC, I5FLN, KE6XJ, W2JGR AND THE NJ0M NODE TWIN-CITIES DX PACKET CLUSTER NETWORK, WA1MPB, WA0BNX, W5KSI AND ZS5S. THANK YOU ALL FOR YOUR ASSISTANCE.

BANDPASS
FRIDAY 13
0124-14086 OO6ML
0136-14086 4X6UO
0209-14081 UN5PR
0241-14085 V31BR
0604-14086 V51GB
0708-14087 UC2OS
0708-14087 9H1ET
1203-14083 RI2B/UW9CX
1435-14085 FR5DX
1801-14084 RT7U
1822-14087 VU2RAK
1936-14085 ET3SID
2102-14088 7Q7ZZ
2333-14086 LY2ZZ

SATURDAY 14
0349-14079 RI2B/UW9CX
0531-14087 OM3LU
0601-14097 FO4OD
0623-14088 V51GB
0638-14088 VK6HD
1252-14083 FM5DM
1254-14081 ES7QF
1310-21069 7Q7LA ARQ
1500-14086 Z21GZ
1525-14085 HS0AC QSL W5VSZ
1535-14088 ZS9A
1615-14086 JT1CS
2000-21086 OM3CPS
2141-14085 UO5OC
2212-14087 4L1BR
2356-14086 YL2GD

SUNDAY 15
0307-14085 TA8ZA
0846-21088 HL2KTX
1250-14083 HS0AC
1309-14087 BY1QH
1410-14084 9M2MW
1513-14086 JT1CS
1526-21083 ZS9/DJ0WQ/P QSL DJ0WQ
1530-14088 XU3DWC
1540-14084 HS0AC
1540-14088 4S7EA
1542-14084 9M2NQ
1627-14088 HK0DPA
1635-14083 UG6GG
1701-14085 HP1XVI
1712-21088 UM8MU
1808-14082 YB6INU
1817-14084 Z32GX
1842-14086 N7CR/T5 QSL WV7Y

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2000-21085  V31BR
2035-21084  OK1FAQ
2046-14084  TR8JH QSL W3HCW
2049-14084  S57AN

MONDAY 16
0812-14084  YI1IS (YL HAFSA)
1434-14088  EA6MQ
1435-14083  EA6MT
1440-14089  UN5PR
1441-14085  OO4AHB
1558-14083  VU2YK
1612-14083  5R8DG
1615-14087  RI2B/UW9CX
1641-14089  Z32JA
2307-14081  FG5FI
2307-14085  FM5GN
2345-14088  NP2EG

TUESDAY 17
0103-14084  KP4CKY
0123-14082  HC7SK QSL POB 1, BAEZA, ECUADOR
0808-14082  YI1AL
1345-14086  HS0AC
1746-14083  FM5GN
1752-14086  RI2B/UW9CX
1939-14087  YL2GD
2020-14081  HC7SK
2025-14087  RT4UA
2334-14091  S79PDL
2339-14089  HK0DPA
2344-14085  FG4FI

WEDNESDAY 18
0051-14089  KG4CW
1126-21081  UN5PR
1322-14088  Z32JA QSL YU5XTC
1354-14081  HC7SK
1547-14089  EI2GZ
1550-14088  N6QLQ/YB5
1604-14090  RI2B/UW9CX
1626-14088  9M2NQ
1731-14085  UO5OC
1734-14087  YA1OK (NO MORE INFO)
1737-14087  ES7QF
1817-14082  UO5OFW
1856-14085  YL2GD
1926-14087  7Q7ZZ
2005-14087  4N7M

THURSDAY 19
0131-14083  UN5PR
0133-14083  OA4CN
1157-14086  VK6HD
1219-14083  HS0AC
1509-14085  EI3GZ
1516-14088  RI2B/UW9CX

NOTES OF INTEREST.
ERITREA. THE DXAC WILL VOTE ON THE DXCC STATUS OF ERITREA, 30
AUGUST.  DXAC  RECOMMENDS THAT ERITREA BE REINSTATED  TO  DXCC
COUNTRIES LIST, NOT CONSIDERED AS A NEW COUNTRY.
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SOUTH SUDAN, ST0. JOHN, PA3CXC SHOULD BE ON RTTY ANYTIME NOW UNTIL THE END OF THIS MONTH. BE PATIENT AS JOHN IS NEW AT THIS GAME. JOHN WILL BE USING A SOFTWARE PROGRAM PROVIDED BY ARIE, 4X6UO. QSL KC4MJ.

MOUNT ATHOS, SV/A. REPORTS HAVE IT THAT JA3MNP SHOULD BE ON THE AIR 20 AUGUST ASSISTED BY SV2WT. KYFC

FOR NEXT WEEKS BULLETIN, PLEASE DIRECT YOUR NOTES AND BANDPASS TO LUCIANO I5FLN AT CE3GDN.XSTGO.CHL.SA

REMEMBER, DX DON'T SLEEP.
GL DE BOB, WB2CJL AT CE3GDN.XSTGO.CHL.SA
(VIA HF AMTOR)

Coming events

September	25th-26th	CQ/RTTY Journal RTTY Contest
October	16th-17th	JARTS WW RTTY Contest
November	13th-14th	WAE RTTY Contest

Society information

The Society may be contacted at : PO Box 860, Crows Nest 2065 Australia, for such matters as membership and general enquiries. Enquiries can also be made by packet to the President (Col) VK2CTD, or the Secretary (Pat) VK2JPA @ VK2RWI.

News items may be sent to Broadcast Officer PO Box 60 Blacktown 2148 Australia, or by packet to VK2JPA @ VK2RWI.
The Internet address for the Broadcast Officer is :
patl@extro.ucc.su.OZ.AU

The Society welcomes news items on any digital subjects from anywhere in the broadcast coverage area.
We are looking forward to news from your areas to let other amateurs know what you are doing in the hobby. Hope to hear from you.

73s de Pat VK2JPA Broadcast Officer

That concludes broadcast 774 29/8/93 de VK2TTY NNNN
Inserted by VK2BQS (Jim) Vice-President ANARTS.
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